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# THIRTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN FOLK-LORE SOCIETY.

THE thirty-third annual meeting of the American Folk-Lore Society was held on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, at the Brooklyn Institute Museum, Brooklyn, N.Y., in affiliation with the American Anthropological Association and the Maya Society.

A meeting of the Council was held at nine in the morning. There were present Messrs. Farabee, Dixon, Boas, Swanton, Nelson, Hrdlička, Kidder, and Peabody.

The regular meeting of the Society was held at two in the afternoon. The reports of the Secretary, Editor, and Treasurer were presented as follows: —

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The membership of the Society is as follows: —

	1920	1921
Honorary members . . . . .	6	7
Life members . . . . .	13	12
Annual members . . . . .	388	393
Subscribing libraries . . . . .	188	179
Total. . . . .	595	591

Four members have died during the year, — Charles P. Bowditch, Mrs. J. T. Duncan, Mgr. Lionel Lindsay, Miss Sarah Yerxa.

CHARLES PEABODY, *Secretary*.

The report of the Secretary was accepted.

## TREASURER'S REPORT, 1921.

### GENERAL FUND.

#### *Receipts.*

Membership . . . . .	\$1217.12
Membership, Canadian Branches . . . . .	279.00
Contribution from Canada for French number . . . . .	1200.00
Charles Peabody, contribution . . . . .	388.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co., sale of plates . . . . .	10.10
Interest . . . . .	16.20
Total receipts . . . . .	\$3110.42

Total receipts brought forward . . . . .	\$3110.42
<i>Expenses.</i>	
New Era Co., manufacture of Journal:	
April-June, 1920 . . . . .	\$ 458.98
July-Sept., 1920 . . . . .	832.65
Oct.-Dec., 1920 . . . . .	669.10
Index, vol. for 1919 . . . . .	218.86
Reprints . . . . .	83.68
Rebates to branches . . . . .	76.45
Miss Andrews, work on Journal (13 months). . . . .	325.00
Postage, Editor. . . . .	14.25
Postage, annual meeting. . . . .	3.25
Postage, Boston Branch. . . . .	3.00
Cosmos Press, printing . . . . .	13.19
Express . . . . .	7.71
Exchange, Canada. . . . .	169.50
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Total expenses . . . . .	2875.62
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Balance. . . . .	\$234.80
Balance paid to Publication Fund from money borrowed . . .	234.80
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Balance on hand, General Fund *. . . . .	\$000.00

PUBLICATION FUND.

<i>Receipts.</i>	
Balance from 1920. . . . .	\$ 256.37
Dr. Parsons, Philippine Memoir . . . . .	1000.00
Contributions to fund . . . . .	75.00
G. E. Stechert, sale of Memoirs:	
Vol. III. . . . .	3.50
Vol. X. . . . .	24.50
Newell-Moore Fund, income . . . . .	85.00
Refund from General Fund . . . . .	234.80
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Total . . . . .	\$1679.17
 <i>Expenses.</i>	
Miss Andrews, work on Memoir:	
Vol. XII . . . . .	\$ 127.60
Vol. XV. . . . .	66.47
G. Beaverson, music blocks for Memoir, Vol. XV. . . . .	308.25
Express on Memoir, Vol. XV . . . . .	1.39
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Total . . . . .	503.71
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Balance † . . . . .	\$1175.46

ALFRED M. TOZZER, *Treasurer.*

The report of the Treasurer was accepted.

\* The General Fund still owes the Publication Fund \$384.85 borrowed in 1920.  
† Practically this entire sum is now due for Memoir, Vol. XV.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR.

Owing to exceptionally unfavorable conditions, the publication of the *Journal of American Folk-Lore* has lagged inordinately behind during the present year. Early in the year the October-December number for 1920 was brought out. Immediately after that a printer's strike occurred in the New Era Printing Company, and it has been utterly impossible to have any work done during the rest of the year. Notwithstanding constantly repeated demands, no proof was forthcoming until December. The first and second numbers of the present year are now in type, — the first number entirely in pages, — so that there is some hope that publication may be resumed.

The question arises, since there is no sign of improvement in the conditions of the Lancaster printing-office, whether a change in printer should not be considered. The lower price which formerly prevailed in Lancaster no longer exists. The Editor suggests that a committee consisting of the Treasurer, Secretary, and Editor be appointed to consider the question of printing.

Volume 12 of the *Memoirs of the Society*, "Filipino Popular Tales," by Dean S. Fansler, was completed during the year.

It seems necessary that the Society, during the next year or two, should restrict itself as much as possible in the publication of its *Journal*, unless special support can be secured. The financial condition, as it appears from the Treasurer's report, is so unfavorable, that the publication of a journal of more than five hundred pages is no longer possible.

The Editor wishes to express his thanks to his associates, Dr. Elsie Clews Parsons, Professor George Lyman Kittredge, Professor Aurelio M. Espinosa, and Mr. C.-Marius Barbeau.

Professor Aurelio M. Espinosa has reported in the *Journal* on the general results of his collecting-trip to Spain, which was made possible by the active interest of our former President, Dr. Elsie Clews Parsons. The discussion of his material is progressing; and we may hope to obtain, as a result of this enterprise, material that will enable us to carry forward the much-needed comparative study between American and Peninsular Spanish folk-lore.

FRANZ BOAS, *Editor*.

The report of the Editor was accepted.

Officers for the year 1922 were elected as follows: —

PRESIDENT, F. G. Speck.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT, E. C. Hills.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT, J. Walter Fewkes.

COUNCILLORS: for three years, Phillips Barry, A. M. Espinosa, C.-M. Barbeau; for two years, J. R. Swanton, E. K. Putnam, Stith

Thompson; for one year, R. B. Dixon, E. Sapir, A. L. Kroeber; past Presidents, P. E. Goddard, R. H. Lowie, Elsie Clews Parsons; Presidents of local branches, C. Peabody, C. T. Carruth, Miss Mary A. Owen, Reed Smith, W. H. Thomas, John M. Stone, J. H. Cox.

EDITOR OF JOURNAL, Franz Boas.

ASSOCIATE EDITORS, George Lyman Kittredge, A. M. Espinosa, C.-Marius Barbeau, Elsie Clews Parsons.

PERMANENT SECRETARY, Charles Peabody.

TREASURER, Alfred M. Tozzer.

The following papers were read: —

"The Scalp-Dance at Zuñi in 1921," by Elsie Clews Parsons.

"The Vision in Plains Culture," by Ruth Benedict.

"New Phases in the Study of Primitive Music," by Helen H. Roberts.

"The Ritual Bull-Fight and its Connection with the Growing of Irrigated Rice," by C. W. Bishop.

"The Deer-Hunt in the Southwest," by Esther Schiff.

"The Shaker Religion of Puget Sound," by T. T. Waterman.

"Complexity of Rhythm in Primitive Decorative art," by Gladys Reichard.

CHARLES PEABODY, *Secretary*.